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In re Application of Charlotte Johansen

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: PETITION DECISION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.59(b), filed March 3, 2004, to expunge the reply filed February 25, 2004 and replace it with a revised copy of the reply filed with the petition.

Petitioner requests that the document noted above be expunged, but gives no reason for expunging the document other than that the copy supplied with the petition is an exact copy thereof with one bolded phrase deleted. A comparison of the documents shows this to be correct. The deleted portion appears to be an internal note or query inadvertently not removed from the originally submitted document. However the note or query does not appear to relate to proprietary information or other material which may be deleted from an application upon petition. See M.P.E.P. 724.05, Part II. The comment also appears to have no effect on determination of patentability.

The petition is **DENIED**.

Should there be any questions with respect to this decision, please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by mail addressed to: Director, Technology Center 1600, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile transmission at general Office facsimile number, 703-872-9306.

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